

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 4, lines 16 and 17, please amend the paragraph to read as follows:

FIG. 1 is a ~~view~~ block diagram illustrating the configuration of a medical waste treatment apparatus ~~of~~ according to the present invention.

On page 18, line 9, please delete the heading as follows:

~~INDUSTRIAL APPLICABILITY~~

On page 18, line 9, after the last line, please insert the following paragraph:

There has thus been shown and described a novel medical waste treatment apparatus which fulfills all the objects and advantages sought therefor. Many changes, modifications, variations and other uses and applications of the subject invention will, however, become apparent to those skilled in the art after considering this specification and the accompanying drawings which disclose the preferred

embodiments thereof. All such changes, modifications, variations and other uses and applications which do not depart from the spirit and scope of the invention are deemed to be covered by the invention, which is to be limited only by the claims which follow.